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Revenue Department Initiating e-File and e-Pay for Withholding Tax on April 10

ATLANTA— Beginning April 10, the Department of Revenue's new e-File and e-Pay program for electronically filing and making withholding tax payments will be available at the Department's website (www.dor.ga.gov). E-File and E-Pay is part of the Department's continuing effort to make more services available online.

Starting May 1, it will be mandatory for businesses that are currently required to submit their withholding tax payments to the Georgia Department of Revenue via electronic funds transfer to also file their return electronically.

"We are making the E-File and E-Pay system available early so taxpayers can become familiar with it before it becomes mandatory on May 1," said Revenue Commissioner Bart L. Graham. "Withholding e-File and e-Pay is part of our initiative to take advantage of technology to provide taxpayers with more efficient methods of filing their returns and interfacing with the Department,"

Taxpayers will have two options when filing their return using e-File and e-Pay. They can either upload the data or enter the information through an online web based program. Payments will be made electronically.

The Department will mail two letters to taxpayers impacted by the first phase of the transition. The first mailing will provide introductory information and the second mailing will include instructions on how to register and access the system.

Georgia's e-File and e-Pay system is designed to be customer friendly and provide an accurate, secure, and timely method of filing returns. There are no filing or transaction fees associated with e-file and e-pay transactions.

Taxpayers having questions regarding e-File and e-Pay can contact the Revenue Department's Taxpayer Services Division at 404-417-4488. Those calling from outside the metro Atlanta area can call (888) 604-9875.

Withholding is the first tax type to require mandatory electronic filing. In the near future, e-File and e-Pay filing will be expanded to include taxpayers filing sales and use tax returns and motor fuel tax returns.

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